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Press Release

USCIS SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT ASSISTS IN ARREST OF A WANTED INDIVIDUAL

SAN ANTONIO- A man wanted by the Houston Sheriffs' Office, on an indictment for felony assault charges was arrested yesterday after officers from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) discovered that he had a warrant for his arrest. Officers from the Sheriffs' Office arrested Jose Maria Moreno, a native of Mexico, at the San Antonio Application Support Center (ASC), as Moreno was attempting to file an application to renew a lost green card. The violation was uncovered following routine background checks that are conducted for every applicant requesting specific immigration services or benefits.

"Public safety is paramount to this agency," said Acting District Director Wiley Blakeway. "When we encounter someone in a USCIS office who has violated the law, we will work with our law enforcement partners to take the appropriate action."

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On March 1, 2003, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) became one of three former INS components to join the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. USCIS is charged with fundamentally transforming and improving the delivery of immigration and citizenship services, while enhancing the integrity of our nation's security.